institutional set-up of Forest Development Agency (FDA) at the forest division level, and Joint Forest Management Committee (JFMC) at the village level. The Ministry has also issued guidelines dated 1.6.1990,21.2.2000, and 24.12.2002 to involve local village communities in the regeneration of degraded forests on usufruct sharing basis.

(c) Afforestation by Panchayats is a permissible activity under the Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana and National Food for Work Programme of the Ministry of Rural Development. As per information received from Ministry of Panchayati Raj, many State Governments have entrusted the item of social forestry to Panchayati Raj Institutions.

Mumbai Trans Harbour Sea Link Project

3932. SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Maharashtra have submitted complete information regarding environmental aspects of Mumbai Trans Harbour sea link project;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when, Government propose to approve the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) to (c) The Government has accorded environmental clearance for Mumbai Trans Harbour Sea Link Project on 11.3.2005.

Total forest cover area in Orissa

3933. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the total forest covered area in the State of Orissa and out of this area of dense forest, open forest and scrub forest;

(b) the funds allocated for the standardization of nursery and establishment technique of medicinal plants;

(c) how many hectares of suitable degrade barren land in the KBK district and non KBK districts would be treated under economic plantation since 2002 in Orissa; and

(d) the targeted area of coverage under each component of afforestation under Revised Long Term Action Plan (RLTAP) for KBK districts of Orissa during Tenth Plan and achievement thereof till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) As per State of Forest Report 2001, published by Forest Survey of India, the forest cover in Orissa is as under:

(area in Km^2)

Dense Forest	Open Forest	Total	Scrub
27,972	20,866	48,838	5,782

(b) No specific funds have been allocated for standardization of nursery and establishment technique of medicinal plants. However, under State Medicinal Plant Board, eight projects have been sanctioned involving a sum of Rs. 195 lakhs out of which, nursery-cum-demonstration Plots of medicinal plants are being taken up. Under State Vanspati Van Society, a scheme has been approved for conservation/preservation and nursery-cum-demonstration Plot in Gandhamardan Hills of Baragarh and Bolangir districts. The project cost is estimated to Rs. 500 lakhs out of which Rs. 55 lakhs has already been allotted

(c) Under Economic Plantation Scheme 12,875 hectares in KBK districts and 4300 hectares in non-KBK districts has been treated since 2002 in the State of Orissa.

(d) The information related to targeted area of coverage under each component of afforestation under Revised Long Term Action Plan (RLTAP) for KBK districts of Orissa during Tenth Plan and achievement is given in the Statement.

Statement

Component-wise Targeted Area of Coverage of Afforestation Under Revised Long Term Action Plan (RLTAP) for KBK Districts of Grissa During Tenth Plan

(area in hectares)

S. No.	Plantation Component/Year	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06 (proposed)
1.	Economic (Teak)	4405	4800	3670	2500
2.	NTFP	1000	1000	770	500
3.	Bamboo	500	1000	905	500
4.	IMFWPI	2000	1800	2490	1600
5.	Aromatic Plantation	0	2500	0	1200
	(a) in-situ				
	(b) Ex-Situ	0	100	200	200
6.	RDF	6000	4500	5000	3600
	TOTAL	13905	15700	13035	10100

Shortage of water in Keoladeo National Bird Sanctuary

3934. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Tourism and Wild Life Society of India (TWSI) has written to Government that there is acute shortage of water at the Keoladeo National Bird Sanctuary in Bharatpur, Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the alternative pians Government are considering to address the problem; and